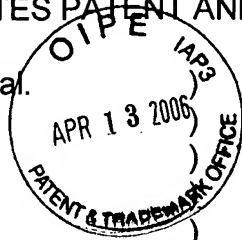


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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action of January 13, 2006, the period for response extending until March 13, 2006, reconsideration of this action and allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are now believed appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks.

***Amendments to the Claims*** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

***Remarks*** begin on page 6 of this paper.